# Infrastructure Trust Potential Project Monorail

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#### INTRODUCTION

There is a need for an environmentally friendly connection between the Roosevelt CTA superstation and the Museum Campus / Northerly Island to serve the many visitors to our lakefront attractions who prefer not to drive. A monorail would provide this connection. Monorails are proven, safe, environmentally friendly, cost effective, and are popular.

#### PROPOSAL (See attached map)

Establish a one mile monorail that starts at the Roosevelt CTA stop, heads east on Roosevelt, south to E. McFetridge (Field Museum, Soldier Field Stop), east to E. Solidarity Drive (Shedd Aquarium stop), east to Northerly Island (Northerly Island Stop), east to Adler Planetarium (Adler Planetarium Stop) and then back to Roosevelt Road CTA with the same stops westbound as there were eastbound.

#### **BENEFITS**

- 1. Non-Polluting connection to Northerly Island, Museum Campus, and Soldier Field.
- 2. The monorail would be fully automated.
- 3. Reduction in automobile traffic and pollution.
- 4. Provides easy access via public transportation to lakefront attractions
- 5. Direct connection from CTA Red, Orange, and Green Line trains.
- 6. A tourist attraction in itself.
- 7. Will provide spectacular views of Chicago and Northerly Island
- 8. A transportation prototype, which could built in other parts of the city, such as a connection from Grand Avenue CTA Stations to Navy Pier.

#### REVENUE SOURCES

- 1. Fare Revenue
- 2. Advertising
- 3. Federal Government Transportation Grant

#### CONCLUSION

The monorail can be a potential infrastructure project that provides an environmentally friendly connection between the CTA and the lakefront attractions, while providing a return for investors.

### PROPOSED MONORAIL ROUTE

